

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date December 16, 2008

In re the Application of

Hiroaki TAKAIWA et al.

Application No.: 10/587,268

Filed: July 26, 2006

For: IMMERSION EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD
WITH LIQUID DETECTION APPARATUS



Group Art Unit: 2851

Examiner: M. LIU

Docket No.: 128865

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

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